

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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March 19, 2008

Ms. Daphne Duke
Information Resource Consultant
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
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Columbia, South Carolina 29211

RE: INTERIM INTERCONNECTION, COLLOCATION AND RESALE AGREEMENT
BETWEEN UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY OF THE CAROLINAS D/B/A
EMBARQ AND BUSINESS TELECOM, INC. D/B/A BTI

Dear Ms. Duke:

United Telephone Company of the Carolinas ("Embarq") and Business Telecom, Inc. ("BTI") hereby submit their Interim Interconnection, Collocation and Resale Agreement for the State of South Carolina with an effective date of March 1, 2008, for approval by the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. Please note that this agreement consists of a 2-page document which identifies the parties and adopts the terms and conditions of another agreement which was approved by the Commission in Docket No. 2007-110-C.

Embarq and BTI respectfully request that the Commission approve this agreement. Under cover of this letter, a copy of the agreement is being served upon BTI.

Embarq is represented in this matter by Mr. Scott Elliott, Elliott & Elliott, P.A., 721 Olive Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29205 (803-771-0555). Please contact either Mr. Elliott or me if there are any questions.

Sincerely yours,

Edward Phillips

HEP:cwm

Enclosures

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**INTERIM INTERCONNECTION, COLLOCATION AND RESALE AGREEMENT
FOR THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

Business Telecom, Inc. dba BTI

and

United Telephone of the Carolinas dba Embarq

This Interim Interconnection, Collocation and Resale Agreement ("Agreement"), dated March 1, 2008, is entered into by between Business Telecom, Inc. dba BTI ("CLEC") a South Carolina CLEC, and United Telephone of the Carolinas dba Embarq ("Embarq"), a South Carolina corporation, to establish the rates, terms and conditions for local interconnection, local resale and the purchase of unbundled network elements for the state of South Carolina. Embarq and CLEC may be referred to individually as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties."

NOW THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

1. CONDITIONS

The Parties agree that the Agreement between the Parties shall consist of the Interconnection, Collocation and Resale Agreement for the State of South Carolina entered into by and between Embarq and Nuvox Communications, dated March 20, 2007 ("Adopted Agreement").

All services provided under this Agreement will be consistent with the decisions of courts having jurisdiction over this Agreement, including but not limited to the decisions of the Court of Appeals and the United States Supreme Court.

2. PARTIES:

CLEC is hereby substituted in the Adopted Agreement for Nuvox Communications. Embarq shall remain as the other Party to the Adopted Agreement. Except as modified herein, the Agreement shall in all other respects reflect the same terms as the Adopted Agreement.

3. TERM:

The Effective Date of this Agreement is March 1, 2008. This Agreement will continue in full force and effect until the End Date, which will be the earlier of: (1) the date a non-interim interconnection agreement has been executed by the Parties; or (2) March 19, 2010, which corresponds with the End Date of the Adopted Agreement.

4. NOTICES:

Except as otherwise provided, all notices and other communication hereunder

shall be deemed to have been duly given when made in writing and delivered in person or deposited in the United States mail, certified mail, postage paid, return receipt requested and addressed as follows:

If to Director – Contract Management
Embarq: Embarq
 KSOPKB0401-413
 9300 Metcalf Avenue
 Overland Park, KS 66212

If to Business Telecom, Inc.
CLEC: Regulatory Vice President
 7037 Old Madison Pike
 Huntsville, AL 35806

With a Senior Attorney
copy to: Embarq External Affairs
 14111 Capital Blvd.
 Wake Forest, NC 25787-5900

6. MISCELLANEOUS

- 6.1. Other than as set forth above, the Agreement remains unchanged and in full force and effect. In the event of a conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the Adopted Agreement, this Agreement will control.
- 6.2. This Agreement, executed by authorized representatives of Embarq and CLEC, is made a part of and incorporates the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Adopted Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly respective authorized representatives.

“Embarq”

By: 

Name : Peter C. Snee

Title: Director – Contract Management

Date: 3/3/2008

“CLEC”

By: 

Name: Steven Brownworth

Title: VP – Network Planning

Date: 2/27/2008